

REMARKS

The Rejections Under 35 USC § 102

Support for the amendment at the end of the definitions of R³ to R⁶ in claim 2 can be found, e.g., on page 24, lines 11-18. Accordingly, the rejection over CAPLUS 1970: 132369 is moot, i.e., these groups can no longer be methoxy. The entry of this amendment is respectfully and courteously requested, as no new issues are presented, while the rendering of the rejection moot is achieved.

The rejection over CAPLUS 1951: 13837 is erroneous. No OMe group is possible in the positions for R¹ or R² in claim 3 and of R¹¹ or R¹² in claim 4. See the last three lines of the definitions of these groups reciting that "if alkoxy, then ethoxy, propoxy, butoxy, pentoxy, hexoxy, heptoxy, octoxy, nonoxy, decoxy, undecoxy, dodecoxy, tridecoxy or tetradeoxy." Methoxy is not an option when these groups are alkoxy.

Reconsideration is respectfully and courteously requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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